

REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing Amendment and passage to allowance are respectfully requested.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant's respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

U.S. Patent No. 5,953,042
U.S. Patent No. 6,411,325
U.S. Patent No. 6,512,533
Japan 9-329755

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Application:

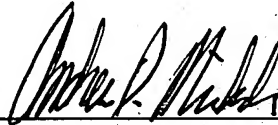
<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>	<u>ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.</u>
09/905,951	July 17, 2001	2852	03500.015568

These documents were cited in parent U.S. Patent Application No. 10/022,546, and might be deemed pertinent for the reasons given therein. The Examiner is respectfully directed to the Patent and Trademark Office files for review of these documents. See MPEP § 609. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of the attached form PTO-1449.

CONCLUSION

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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